WHAT HAPPENED IN CHICAGO TODAY

· Fire which started in Peerless with passing worthless checks. Light Co. at Fifth av. and Lake st., did a \$100,000 worth of damage. Six concerns suffered losses, 100 girls working on upper floor clambered over roof for half a block to reach fire escape.

Thomas H. Crowley, 6219 Rhodes av.: W. A. Strubin, 6233 S. Wood st.; W. A. Albrecht, 762 W. 63rd st., all firemen, injured when Engine No. 51 turned turtle while responding to alarm at Wabash and 63rd st. Crowley will die.

Mrs. Mary Syer, 80, 8300 Illinois av., left home suffering with mental trouble. Believed to have frozen to death.

State Senator John T. Denvir critically ill at home, 1847 S. 40th av. Pneumonia.

Government agents say Chicago dressmakers are involved in \$1,000,000 smuggling conspiracy.

The Kirby bank case will end today.

Wm. H. Riddle, 2629 Shields av., elevator operator at 102 S. . Clinton st. Car dropped two floors. Fatally injured.

Hart Tony, 51 W. 36th st., shot and killed wife in fight. Both negroes.

People living on Halsted st., from Madison to Austin av., had fish dinners last night. Runaway horse with wagon load of fish be-Llonging to C. F. Holmes, 735 W. Randolph st.

Michael Clarissy, 2634 26th pl., and Arthur J. Benoit, 2061 W.

Believed to belong to "old steamfitter gang," some of whom are now under indictment.

Hattie Brannon, 10, Santa Claus to bring me my papa." The child is living with Mr. and Mrs. Ole Anderson, Orland, Ill. Her father, working somewhere in Chicago, thinks she is in the custody of mother.

McWeeny plans strenuous war on hold-up gangs that infest Chicago. Will put sergeants in plain clothes today and assign each one to cover certain district and be on look out for thugs.

George Cooper, 4800 Armitage av., lived 'at the Practitioners' hospital for 5 days with broken neck.

J. G. Hanen, of Rockford, Ill., sued Western Union Telegraph Co. for \$14,000. Awarded cents by Federal Judge Hump-

Nicholas Kramer, 19, 1842 N. Ashland av., teamster on wagon, hit by speeding auto at Washington blvd, and May st. Car did not stop. Severely injured.

Fourth grand reception and ball of West Side Milk Drivers Pleasure club, Local 753, I. B. T. tonight at West Chicago clubhouse.

Francis E. Howard, smoke inspector, held to grand jury by Judge Bretano of the Superior Court, charged with accepting bribe of \$70.

Patrolman August Elbrecht, of 39th st., under arrest charged Hinman street station, dismissed